

THE BRITISH COLONIST.

Perhaps of all nations in the world the English are most given to lion worshipping, and it is with the greatest satisfaction that the whole nation joins in doing honor to the hero of Abyssinia, who has been called to the peerage under the title of Baron Napier of Magdalla. The freedom of the City of London has, as is usual on such cases, been conferred upon Lord Napier, and fetes and entertainments are being held in his honor in all parts of England. The Crystal Palace Company entertained the General, Lady Napier, and the staff which had served in the Abyssinian Expedition, at a fete conducted in the most magnificent style, with a full display of fountains, concert and banquet. The pension which has been conferred with the peerage is small, being only £2000 a year, and for the limited period of two lives. This new creation has brought out the press upon the peerage question generally, and we may take it as a marked sign of the times that, the idea of some sort of reform in the House of Peers is rapidly gaining ground, even among some portion of the Conservative peers themselves; it seems to be admitted that if the House of Lords is to maintain a real influence in the British Constitution, its members cannot safely do duty change; the expediency of creating a certain number of peerages, as attempted by Lord Palmerston, in the Wensleydale case is being discussed, and seems to meet with considerable favor. Whilst criticising the constitution of the Upper House, the House of Commons are not unmindful of their own defects, and are at last pushing through a bill which transfers the jurisdiction or bribery petitions to the Common Law Judges. There is to be an additional judge appointed to each Court, and in Michaelmas Term in each year, the fifteen Puisne Judges will appoint three out of their body, that is to say, one out of each Court, to try election petitions in Courts to be held upon the spot where the alleged bribery has occurred. Another novelty in elections, proposed by some private members, to be provided for in this bill, is that the expenses of the formal machinery of elections should be thrown upon constituencies, instead of being borne, as at present, by candidates. This it is thought would pave the way for admission into the House of Commons of a class of men who have hitherto kept aloof from public life out of prudential motives. The liberal party are most active in their preparations for the coming electioneering struggle, and there seems to be but little doubt that Gladstone will have a majority in the new Parliament. The Government measure for buying out the existing telegraph companies and transferring the working of the whole telegraph system to the Postoffice meets with general favor, both from the shareholders and the public at large, and people are beginning to hint at the benefits which might accrue to the travelling public, from a similar system being pursued towards railway companies. The conduct of the great companies south of London having been such as to alienate the confidence of the public from the Board of Directors, who, defeated in obtaining a monopoly, have revenged themselves by putting the public to the greatest amount of inconvenience, as a sort of penalty for being compelled by the House of Lords to give up their schemes for levying a sort of black mail upon travellers. A panic seems to exist in London on account of the violent outrages committed daily and nightly in the streets, by thieves who have adopted this new method since garroting was put down by extra vigilance; public attention having been pointedly called to the prevalence of these violent robberies, it is to be hoped that strenuous efforts will be made by the police to suppress the system, and so to restore the streets of London to their wonted security. Congratulatory addresses have been presented to the Queen by both Houses of Parliament, on the event of the safe delivery of a Princess, by her Royal Highness the Princess of Wales.

FIRE.—A quarter of an hour before twelve last night, a fire broke out in the upper story of a small, plastered, untenanted cottage, on the hill beyond St John's Church, and owned by J. Finnan, plasterer, who resides in Portland at the present time. It is supposed to be the act of an incendiary; is insured and was partially saved by the firemen, together with some cottages on either side, which stood in imminent danger. We usually accord merit to the blackjacks for services rendered on such occasions—this time we think that some few of them were over-zealous in their voluntary labors. The Hook & Ladder and fire companies were on the spot; damage done, about eight or nine hundred dollars. Rain commenced to fall heavily during the conflagration.

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TO PACKERS AND TRADERS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The Undersigned offers for Sale at Moderate Rates, 50 or 60 Head of WELL-BRED CATTLE, IN GOOD CONDITION, Consisting of Cows, 2 and 3 years old, Heifers and Steers, &c.

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Theatre Royal. THURSDAY, SEPT. 3rd, FAREWELL BENEFIT OF EDWARDS, (Who leaves for San Francisco per next Steamer), UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF Capt. C. W. BUCKLEY, V. C., and the Officers of the PYLADES.

First appearance in Victoria of the Pylades Dramatic Club AND NEGRO MINSTREL COMPANY, Under the Supervision of Lieut. LEWEN, R. N.

The Pylades Band, Under the Direction of Herr Klein Hammer, Band Master. EDWARDS in Choice Songs, &c.

Box Office open for Reserving Seats on THURSDAY, from 11 to 3. Dress Circle, \$1 (No extra for Reserving Seats); Parquette, 75 cts.; Pit, 50 cts.

\$10 Reward THE ABOVE REWARD WILL BE paid to any person who will deliver to Mr. Millington, of Esquimalt, the following cattle, the property of the Rev. A. C. Garrett, two of which were near the Naval Hospital on Wednesday, July 22nd, but have since been missing.

1 Red Heifer, 2 years old, with some white marks, chiefly on the tail and hind legs, right ear slit, hair on the end of the tail cut square across.

1 Red Steer, 1 year old, right ear slit, hair on the end of the tail cut square across.

1 Yellow and White Steer, 1 year old, right ear slit, hair on the end of the tail cut square across; last seen close to Farmer's.

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SHERRY—Ronaldson's, in bulk & case, different qualities PORT—Ronaldson's, in bulk and case, do Hooper's, in bulk

CHAMPAGNE—Cliquet's, in quarts A. Collins' in pints and quarts

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Blue Marbled 28 do Marine do 28 do London and Best London 56 do

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Dr. B. opened his profession of Dentistry in Boston, Mass., in 1841, and continued there in full practice until the rebellion of 1861. His letters of recommendation are of the highest order—one from Dr. J. J. Wetmore, at the head of the Dental Profession in the City of Boston, and one from J. Langdon D.W. (Dr. Zerk), 15 India street, whose patronage the Doctor has shared from 18 to 26 years.

W. B. D. Barnard has inserted the past year whole sets of teeth, for various persons here and on the Sound, and has been kindly permitted to mention their names to others similarly deficient who seek his services and request reference or consultation therewith.

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